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## Students score well in state assessment

District 9 schools meet or exceed test averages

By Michelle Duell  
Staff writer

Granite City Community District Unit No. 9 recently received testing results from the Illinois Goal Assessment Program. Now administrators have reason to shout.

All district schools met or exceeded state goals and standards in all fundamental learning areas and in all grade levels in an important state testing program. The testing was given last March.

"Improvements were shown in scores throughout the district," said Ron Stern, administrative assistant of elementary education for the district. "The percentages of students that met or exceeded state standards increased, while the percentage that did not meet declined."

Stern said various departments and programs shared in making the results possible.

"The hard work and dedication of teachers, administrators and staff were instrumental in improving student achievement," he said. "Grant funding, staff development, building-wide Title I projects, renovation of buildings, curriculum development and other student-assistance programs were extremely important."

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"I don't think you can pin-point any one factor. However, the attendance blitz last year helped tremendously. The school board last year hired truancy officers, and that helped a lot. We discovered a 1 1/3 truancy in kindergarten and other grades."

Superintendent Steve Balen said, "I just think it proves when you provide the proper tools — (and when) the teachers are the best — that you're going to have these kinds of results."

The truancy officers went to homes and spoke to parents, who were cited and sent to court, Stern said.

"The message got out," Stern said.

In addition, he said, the teachers have become more versed in the program testing that determines how well the students are learning. The test has existed for 12 years.

"A grant we secured — Reading is Fundamental — promoted reading at the first-grade level," Stern said. "It sent a message to students that reading is important."

New books, maps and text books were purchased for all class rooms, he said, and the Title I buildings, which showed the greatest impact.

*"The hard work and dedication of teachers, administrators and staff were instrumental in improving student achievement."*

Ron Stern  
administrative assistant

Improved because of "a lot of parental involvement," he said.

"We now have all new textbooks purchased in the last seven years, and I think that has made a tremendous impact."

According to results from Balen's office, 83 percent of the 11th grade students met or exceeded in science.

In reading, all sixth-grade schools met state performance standards and exceeded state scores, scoring the highest ever in mathematics.

"Niedringhaus received an 'exceed' designation," Stern said.

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Angie Banning of the World Bird Sanctuary shows Chainsaw, an Eastern Screech Owl, to a group of children from the U.S. Army Charles Melvin Price Support Center's day-care center.

## Sky hunters flock to base

The children at the U.S. Army Charles Melvin Price Support Center's day-care center recently came face-to-face with several feathered friends.

The children were thrilled to see several varieties of birds of prey, some of which the center wildlife biologists were able to show in flight.

The base's environmental engineer, Rick Archesi, and engineering technician Richard Becht invited the center in for the show as part of an education effort in conjunction with a wildlife survey currently in progress on the base.

World Bird Sanctuary wildlife biologist Michelle Land has captured, banded and returned to the wild 21 American Kestrels, a small-sized variety of falcon, at CMPSC.

The 21 birds is a large concentration, considering the average concentration of Kestrel populations is about one per square mile. Rich wetlands along the Mississippi River probably produce the food for the numbers, she said.

The placement of nesting boxes for the birds to replace dead trees which are removed as habitat has also contributed to the numbers.

— John Frese



Kristin Champion, 7, climbs on the playground equipment in Wilson Park. Granite City School District students start class Tuesday, while Madison schools began Tuesday. See People, Page 5A.

## City finalizes golf land deal

By Michelle Duell  
Staff writer

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In a unanimous vote, the Madison City Council approved Tuesday the annexation of a golf course being constructed near the Gateway International Raceway, which is located within the city limits.

Gateway National Golf Links, LLC, petitioned for annexation. The 18-hole golf course will bring more taxes to Madison and jobs for residents through a restaurant and club house being built on the property, Mayor John Hamm said.

"It's been a long time coming," Hamm said of the annexed property, for which negotiations began in 1995. "That's really major for us. Two-thirds of the golf course are in St. Clair County. The remaining one third is in Madison County."

The annexed land is bounded by Highway 203 on the east, Big Bend Road to the north and the National City limits to the west.

Hamm said grass is already

growing and sprinklers are installed on the \$8 million project — which consists of 140 acres.

As part of a pre-annexation agreement, Madison will be responsible for constructing a maintenance road and septic system for the golf course maintenance building, Hamm said.

Actual construction of the golf course began early last spring.

In addition to the ongoing development, a private developer has approached Madison about the possibility of building two motels on the southeast end of the golf course, Hamm said.

Among other business, the City Council:

- Gave Madison approval to join the Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce for \$2,000.
- Re-appointed Rob Robbins as temporary city controller for another 60 days.

## Residents fail to take advantage of offender law

The state's sex offenders are registering with police, but most of the neighbors are passing up the chance to identify them, officials said.

"We have had inquiries from a few people who suspect a certain individual, and we tell them yes or no, but not many people ask," Madison County Sheriff Bob Churchich said.

A year after the state began requiring law enforcement officials to make the offenders' names public, now known as Megan's law, few individuals are bothering to check, police officials said.

The law goes into effect Thursday in Missouri.

"I think some people don't know they can do this. It's amazing how concerned they are with the right of privacy of the offender and all that," said Churchich, who has 279 registered offenders in the county.

"They know what they must do, and they keep us well informed about their change of addresses and all. They stay up with the law," he said.

But county officials had no inquiries about a Holiday Shores man before he was charged Aug. 15 with

*"It's amazing how concerned they are with the right of privacy of the offender and all that."*

Bob Churchich  
Madison County sheriff

three sexual incidents involving a 15-year-old neighborhood boy. The case came to light only after the victim apparently battered David Wooster, 47, of the 700 block of Riviera Circle, which led to his arrest.

The boy was apparently one of four youths invited to Wooster's house periodically for beer parties. Wooster was a registered sex offender in Madison County and had completed a probation period on a previous conviction. He faces four new charges of

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John Fuller, Meteorologist

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## Salute

### Earl S. Edmiston

Earl S. Edmiston is celebrating his 30th anniversary with the Fleet Reserve Association and 51 years of his association with the U.S. Navy.

He is a member of the VFW Post 1300 of Granite City and president of the Pontoon Beach Senior Citizens.

Edmiston joined the Navy in 1946 as a constructionman apprentice, and served on several vessels operating out of Pearl Harbor. He transferred to the Fleet Reserve in 1967, after serving on active duty for 20 years.

## Village tables tax for police fund

The Pontoon Beach Village Board of Trustees on Tuesday tabled a proposed tax increase that would give \$25,000 dollars to the police department's pension fund and meet the state mandate of \$125,701.

Trustee Irene Karlechik made a motion to table the proposal following a public hearing, and Trustee Gus Falter gave his second to the motion, which put the tax increase to a halt until the village's next official meeting.

According to information released by County Clerk Mark A. Von Nida, the proposed increase of .071 percent in the village's tax would result in an

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approximate \$24 tax increase on an average home with a \$100,000 market value.

A home with a market value of \$100,000 has an estimated assessed valuation of \$33,333.33. That figure, multiplied by .071, equals an increase of \$23.66 in the average bill.

"If the levy isn't passed, the state of Illinois will force us to pass it," said Trustee Bob Vincent. Illinois required the village to create the fund after a census showed the population exceeded 5,000 residents, Trustee Lou Whitsell said.

— Michelle Duell



# NEWS

## Help may be near for center

### State, federal government may aid Lewis and Clark site

While local groups struggle to formulate a plan for a Lewis and Clark visitors' center, help may be on the way from state and federal government.

Illinois officials said this week that an announcement about a possible plan of action for a visitors' center or new attraction may be just around the corner.

If River Bend residents want to see a new Lewis and Clark site here, the time to tell state officials and local representatives is now.

Gov. Jim Edgar's office has recognized that Illinois could capitalize on Lewis and Clark's expedition anniversary in 2003 and 2004. He has directed the state Historic Preservation Agency to formulate a plan that he would take to the legislature for funding.

"There is no question as to the importance of Lewis and Clark's Illinois encampment in the history of our country," said John Weber, a spokesman for Edgar. "The problem, as always, is in prioritizing funding."

Weber insists that Edgar is aware that Missouri, if allowed, will likely command most of the local limelight during the Bicentennial celebration if allowed.

The fact that Meriwether Lewis and William Clark chose the Illinois side of the Mississippi for their camp in 1803 is a telling historical fact. It speaks volumes of Illinois' role in the development of the nation.

Illinois was not yet a state at the time, but a territory. Across the Mississippi River, Missouri had just been bought from the French as part of the Louisiana Purchase.

Lewis and Clark's mission

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was to explore a river route across the continent. They were to be the first white men to see the far west area. The two explorers chose the Missouri River as their main byway.

After the explorers arrived in the fledgling city of St. Louis, they gathered about 50 rough and woolly frontiersmen to help them on their journey, which was likely to last for years.

However, the Spanish administration in St. Louis had not yet received verification of the changeover to U.S. administration. Because of this fact, Lewis and Clark decided, or were asked, to stay on the east side of the Mississippi in Illinois until they left.

William Clark set out up the Mississippi from St. Louis and, thus, came to the mouth of "Wood River" in December 1803. He and his crew spent four months camped near Wood River.

In order to recognize that history, the state Historic Preservation Agency has been reviewing options for a proper memorial here.

"We are almost ready to present some options. It will be soon. I'm sorry I can't be more specific," said John Blanchette, spokesman for the agency. The options will range from relatively inexpensive to very involved.

Any state project will probably require some federal and local funding.

For his part, U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello, D-Belleville, said he fully supports any work that is

done on the local level to commemorate the site.

"When someone brings me a plan and the proper local matching funds, I will move on asking for federal funds," Costello said in an interview.

Costello believes that some promotion of Lewis and Clark can be accomplished at the new visitors' center for the Melvin Price Lock and Dam on the Mississippi River.

Costello and many others see no problem with featuring Lewis and Clark prominently at the lock and dam, because the explorers are closely tied to the river and to opening up river commerce in the area.

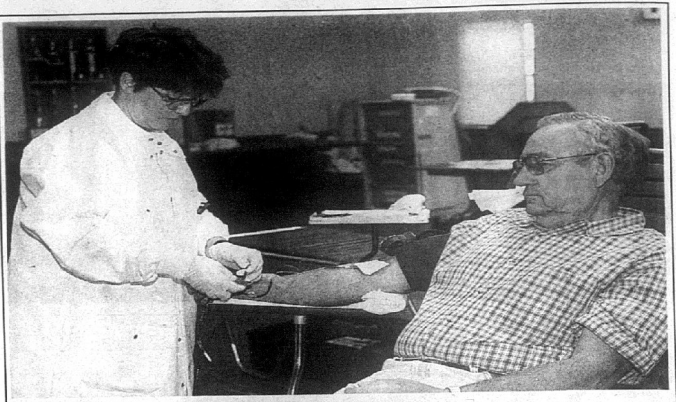
However, Costello said he supports the concept of a separate Lewis and Clark visitors' center that might be built with part local funding. Chairman Rudy Papa, D-Bethalto, said the county may support a complete plan for a visitors' center.

"If anything, the county could offer some in-kind services," Papa said. "We could offer help with the road or something. As far as committing to a dollar amount, I'm not closing the door on that. If that project gets going, it would bring tourism dollars, and we would get a return on that eventually."

To contact Gov. Jim Edgar regarding support for a Lewis and Clark visitors' center here, call (217) 782-6832 or write to him at 207 State House, Springfield, IL 62706.

To contact Congressman Jerry Costello, call 233-8026 or write to his Belleville office at 327 West Main St., Belleville, IL 62222.

— From The Telegraph



## Blood of steel

Staff photos by JOHN FRESA



Above, American Red Cross nurse Cheryl Lane draws blood from Roger Bunselmeier during the blood drive hosted by Steel Workers Local 67. The Union has two drives a year, and usually exceed their goals. At left, Helen Gwin of the American Red Cross tapes the needle down to the arm of donor Norma Gaines, a member of Steelworkers Local 68.

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Granite City

**TACO SALE:** Granite City Firefighters Local 233 are holding a taco sale from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and 4 to 10 p.m. Friday at Enlie's, Annie's Tavern, 935 Niedringhaus Ave., in Granite City.

Proceeds go to the fire department honor guard. To place orders, call 877-5071. Free deliveries for orders of two dozen or more.

### Metro East

**SEXUAL ASSAULT HELP:** Sexual Assault Victims First Inc. has expanded its services to include sexual assault/abuse counseling/advice.

Prevention services include an emphasis on working with students and persons with disabilities. Professional training is also available to school staff and agency staff providing services to persons with disabilities.

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tial and free. For more information, call the business office at 344-0609. For emergency services, call the hotline at 344-0605.

**SENIOR CELEBRATION:** Senior Celebration '97, a one-day event designed to reach the mature adult market, will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 21 at Gateway Convention Center in Collinsville. Sponsored by Belleville Orthopedic Surgeons, Ltd., Memorial Hospital,

Schnucks Market and UMB Bank, Senior Celebration '97 will feature entertainment, health screenings, food and product samples, as well as over 75 booths showcasing products and services of interest to seniors. For more information call 297-5649.

## United Way hosts training session

United Way of Greater St. Louis will host a free orientation session for people interested in becoming candidates in the agency's Board Bank and serving as board members of nonprofit organizations.

The workshop will be from 4 to 6 p.m. Sept. 17 at the Crown Center, 8350 Delcrest drive in University City.

The training session, "So You Want To Be A Board Member," is the first step required for placement in the United Way's Board Bank, a referral base of more than 100 nonprofit organizations. The

MAC-ESC serves as a link between agencies needing skilled board members and individuals who wish to serve. To register or for more information, call 314-539-4145 by Sept. 10.

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## NEWS

# Macek claims village investigation is needed

## Wants to clear air about wrongdoings

By Michelle Duell  
Staff writer

Former Pontoon Beach Village Trustee Mike Macek says he is calling for a federal investigation of the community's current and previous officials and practices and procedures of the village and its departments.

"This would just clear the air and finally put a stop to all the accusations that are going around," Macek said.

It is well-known that the Village Board of Trustees in Pontoon Beach has been divided recently. On one side are Mayor Glen Wilson, Trustees Lou Whitsell, Bob Vincent, Bob Abel and Police Chief Mike Crouch. On the other side are Trustees Randy Presswood, Gus Palter, Irene Karlechuk and City Clerk Mary Rowden.

The two sides have come no closer to settling their differences since the April election when Whitsell defeated Macek.

Wilson refused to comment on Macek's allegations. Attempts to reach other Pontoon Beach officials for comment were unsuccessful.

While Macek was trustee, the board was already split into two sides, he said.

He cited several reasons for wanting the investigation.

One involves annexation of property that would have been used for development.

"The first item I want to explain," Macek said, "is the negotiations that were going on with the Regional Commerce Center Developers and the village through Economic Development Director Mike Sasyk, board member Randy Presswood and myself as chairman of

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the Annexation and Development Committee (before the April 1 election).

Macek said with Sasyk, he and Presswood were able to plan for development of an enterprise zone in the Pontoon Beach area.

"We were able to get down to some serious negotiations," Macek said. "The first phase of the development was to be on the north side of Chain of Rocks Road and west of Highway 111."

That phase involved 248 acres, and "43 were already in the village," he added.

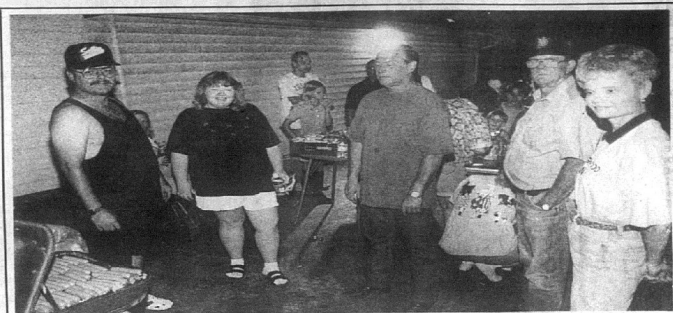
The de-annexation and annexation of property "would have to be approved by the board, and if it was in the form of an annexation agreement, a public hearing would have to take place first," Macek said.

Currently, he said development plans are at a standstill.

Another reason Macek said he wanted an investigation into village practices was the mayor's conducting special meetings, which he said cost taxpayers up to \$460 for each meeting.

"The mayor receives \$90, the clerk \$70 and each trustee \$50," Macek said. "We should insist these meetings be limited, and when they are called, notice should be posted on the (municipal) office of Village Hall."

"Also," he said, "there is talk among some elected officials about possible wrongdoings by current and previous village officials, including myself."



### Neighborhood dogs

Staff photo by JOHN FRESE

Curtis Howland, Kristina Chastain, Bob Matsko and Debbie Stanton grill hot dogs donated by Pete Novacich during the Night Out hosted by area Neighborhood Watch programs in Granite City.

## Holiday fuels rise in prices

### Special to the Journal

Labor Day travelers may discover paying more at the pump as gasoline prices continue to rise in Illinois and other areas.

According to the American Automobile Association, Labor Day Fuel Gauge Survey, Illinois motorists are paying \$1.319 per gallon for self-serve unleaded regular gas, up 3.8 cents from last year.

Motorists who buy unleaded midgrade are currently paying \$1.417, while buyers of unleaded premium are paying \$1.448.

This price is the seventh highest average in the continental U.S.

While Illinois motorists are paying high prices in gasoline, Indiana's motorists are filling their tanks with the same grade of gas but are paying an average of \$1.227 per gallon.

This price for Indiana is the 16th lowest in the continental U.S. and Missouri's statewide

average is \$1.192, said Brian Sterling, manager of AAA public affairs in Chicago.

Sterling said the increase in gasoline doesn't surprise him. "Wholesale prices have been going up slightly for the past month," Sterling said. "But the big factor is when crude oil goes up, gasoline prices will go up."

The national average price for self-serve unleaded regular is at \$1.264, the highest price for August since the start of the Persian Gulf crisis in August 1990.

Despite the higher gasoline prices, AAA has projected that a record of 30.7 million people will travel 100 miles or more over the Labor Day weekend.

This year's holiday travel volume is up 3 percent compared to last year.

Sterling said despite the increase in gasoline prices during the holidays, many motorists aren't surprised they might be paying more for gas.

**"... The big factor is when crude oil goes up, gasoline prices will go up."**

Brian Sterling  
AAA-Chicago

"Many motorists keep an eye on the gas prices," he said. "They have come to expect prices to rise during the holidays."

On a positive note, Sterling said the prices in gasoline will eventually decrease during the winter months.

"We should see prices decline during the months of September and October," Sterling said.

AAA's holiday travel projections are based on a national travel survey of 1,500 adults.

## 'Rollover' deaths kill five

### Parents warned to avoid sleeping with children

### Special to the Journal

The deaths of five babies in Madison County this year have authorities urging parents to avoid sleeping in the same bed with infant children.

"Every child should have his or her own bed," said Dr. James Monteleone, head of the child protection department at Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital in St. Louis.

Madison County Coroner Dallas Burke said county offi-

cials have seen an unusual number of children dying from what some authorities call "rollover" deaths. Typically, a parent rolls over on the child, suffocating it.

Burke said the children who have died in Madison County ranged in age from 27 days to 3 months, and the most recent death was this month.

"In this last one, the mother was nursing an infant, and she fell asleep and suffocated her child," Burke said.

"We have at least one each month in St. Louis," Monteleone said. "It is a lot more common than people realize."

Mary Lynn, a child protection supervisor for the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, said her

office often is called in to investigate rollover deaths because they look suspicious.

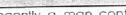
However, they are tragic — but preventable accidents. "Another problem is that parents are often given conflicting information. Some pop psychologists advise parents to sleep with their children to enhance bonding. I'm not discounting that (bonding), but it (sleeping with children) can have tragic consequences."

Lynn said it is particularly dangerous for adults to sleep with children on soft mattresses and water beds.

"Certainly not on any kind of soft surface that gives. The firmer the surface, the less dangerous," Lynn said.

## THE LAW AND YOU

By RICK REED  
Attorney At Law



Recently a man contacted this office and indicated that his mother had died. At the time of her death, there was a will providing that her property be divided equally among her three sons. She owned a home valued at \$60,000, two Certificates of Deposit with each having a value of approximately \$20,000, a car, and miscellaneous furniture. The question arose as to how the property should be divided at the time of her death.

In this particular case, the mother intended her children to divide the property equally. However, she had made certain children joint tenants with regard to certain pieces of property. For instance, at the time of her husband's death, she had established a joint tenancy with her oldest son with regard to her residence. Her middle son was named as a joint tenant on the two Certificates of Deposit while the youngest son's name was not included with regard to any of the assets.

Subsequent to the time the woman created these joint tenancies, she had her will prepared indicating that all assets should be divided equally. It was obviously her intent to treat all children the same with regard to property division at the time of her death. However, when she established joint tenancies with certain of the children, she really defeated the purpose expressed in her will. Generally speaking, joint tenancy property passes outside the will. If a person creates a joint tenancy, the surviving joint tenant will take the asset in its entirety when the first joint tenant dies.

With regard to this particular case, this meant the car and the furniture would be divided equally among the three children since these assets were not in joint tenancy. The home would pass to the oldest son as the surviving joint tenant, and the Certificates of Deposit would pass to the middle son in the same manner. Of course, the children could agree among themselves to divide the assets equally if they so desired.

However, the oldest son and the middle son would not be obligated to divide the joint tenancy assets equally if they were not so inclined. By establishing the joint tenancy, the mother ensured that the surviving joint tenant would take the asset at the time of her death. Unfortunately, this result probably did not coincide with her real intention as expressed in the will.

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## GUEST COLUMN

### Road rage scary issue

You may have heard about a recent accident that occurred on an area highway. A young man in St. Louis became enraged after being cut off by another car and spilling his coffee. He raced after the offending vehicle, pulled in front of it slammed on his brakes. The young woman driving the other car panicked and swerved into oncoming traffic and was killed.

The accident was blamed on a growing phenomenon called "road rage."

"Road rage" has been the subject of many recent newspaper articles describing how we, as a society, have become increasingly more angry and impatient with each other on the highways.

Sadly enough, it's not only on the highways. You see it in stores with people pushing and shoving to snag sale bargains. You see it in parking lots where crowds and movie theater lines. It occurs in the workplace. We have lost the ability to be civil to each other. I call it the desocialization of society.

It is no surprise to me why it is happening. Look at the transformation of our lifestyles over the last 50 years. We have gone from the front porch era where neighboring families gathered on each other's porches and shared opinions, ideas, and ice cream to the modern version of entertainment called "cocooning."

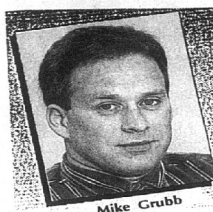
This is where today's family comes home from their harried and frustrating day, locks the doors, closes the mini-blinds, and calls out for pizza. They watch a rented video and talk about the neighbor's new idea of talking to them. We can't help it. The videos that we rent have us convinced that all our neighbors are drug dealers or knife-wielding psychopaths watching us through telescopes.

As our lives become more fast-paced and complicated we keep coming up with new ideas to save us time. The problem is that most of these ideas are at the expense of our ability to interact with other human beings.

Here is a hypothetical day for modern man. Wake up, dress, and drive to the gas station. He puts a credit card into the gas pump, lifts the nozzle and fills the tank. Before leaving the station he stops at a vending machine and gets a cup of coffee.

Driving to work by himself he pulls over to the side of the road and gets a newspaper from another machine. After getting to work he nods curiously greetings to a couple of co-workers and proceeds through a maze of identical cubicles until he finds his own.

He spends the rest of the day communicating by e-mail and conducting business by modem. Leaving work he drives home and enters his spacious and air-tight home, locking the doors behind him.



Mike Grubb

## Opinion shapers

Afterwards he does his banking by telephone, pulls some hobby information off the Internet, calls to order a pay-per-view movie and falls asleep in front of the TV with virtually no interaction with another living, breathing person.

Is it any wonder why this person or any other like him has no compassion or respect for the others around him? He's not used to dealing with them. If you throw a strange dog and cat together in a room they will tear each other to pieces, but if they are forced to interact they will soon find themselves curled up together in front of the fireplace.

Whenever my family goes on vacation I like to do a little exercise that helps me put things in perspective. I like to get off the main roads and explore the lowlands where we are staying. I drive into the subdivisions and observe people outside working in their yards, washing their cars, or playing with their kids.

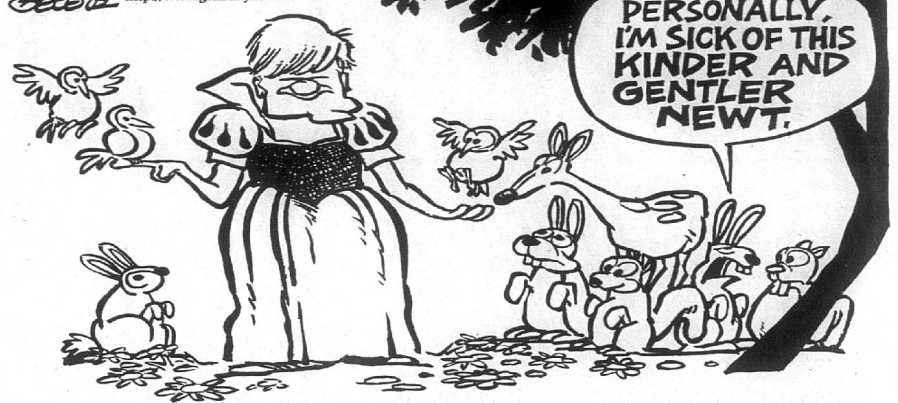
When we get back home I think about the people that I saw. I'm now hundreds of miles away from them but I know they are in their homes doing the same things I am and even though I never met them, they don't seem like strangers anymore.

They are the same as the people here who are passing me on the highway or standing in front of me at the supermarket checkout line. Most are good people who under the right circumstances could have been and may still someday be my friends.

Who knows? Maybe the young man and woman involved in that tragic accident on a local highway could have someday been friends. It's not that hard to imagine if you

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## SOUND OFF!

I'd like to complain about the YMCA's way they decide you're a family. The idea that a man, woman and certain number of children constitutes a family just isn't valid anymore. It should be based on the household.

### What is a family?

### Let's see the audits

The current administration in Granite City is in violation of its own ordinance because it's not produced audits for the last four years. Part of the most recent mayoral election promised that audits would be caught up within 30 days. Now, almost five months later, we still have no audits. As a result, the city has no bonding capabilities. Audits were designed to produce a sense of confidence in taxpayers and prospective businesses who may locate in an area. While the mayor and council try to promote economic growth and retain residents, leaving a huge question mark over our books is a bad example of government.

### Stick to one page

I buy the Press-Record, mostly for the TV guide. Today's Press-Record put it on four different pages. All that ripping and trouble going through it. I am angry about it. I wish they would put it on one page.

### Going to the dogs

I'm calling about dogs in the 2500 block of Grand Avenue. I've called the Humane Society three times. They're worried about dog bites but they're not worried about dogs on the street. I'd like to know why we only have one humane officer.

### Where's the chief?

I would like to know what is being accomplished by the spotty lead yard cleanup that is going on in Madison and Granite City. If the entire contaminated area for dirt removal and replacement was not mandated by the (Environmental Protection Agency), why is so much time and money being spent for the "here and there" cleanup?

### Let's learn a new language

I just read in the paper that Belleville Area College is offering free English as a second language lessons again. I would like to know if they're going to offer any of us taxpayers a free foreign language lesson.

To call the Journal "Sound Off!" line, dial 344-2340 and leave your message. We will not print personal attacks or unfair criticism of individuals or businesses. Please keep your comments brief and reasonable.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Meant little

TO THE EDITOR: J. Benetti and Jean Schram came up with a splendid letter to the editor in your (Aug. 7 issue of the Press-Record). Splendid in that it said lots but meant little.

For public information, please supply a list of the 425 chemicals you mentioned. I would like to check your list and see how many occur on my list which includes chemicals in my water, my food and in the air I breathe. Throw in my exposure to work force chemicals which included fertilizer, steel, paint and xylene, etc. Life is chemicals. J.W., safe ones and toxic bad boys.

What the "war on drugs" has really meant is a "hold" on valid research other than the governments.

I trust my lying eyes a lot more than any study you care to quote there, Skip. I have two friends using cannabidiol to survive. The prescription THC you mentioned is "experimental" so insurance companies can duck the costs. Black market is cheaper, Skip, and if my friends get high while fighting cancer, I'll look the other way.

Am I to assume from your position that you favor euthanasia for the true victims of the "drug wars?" What if it were your wife, son, daughter, uncle, aunt or cousin? With little hope and fewer options. Tell us facts, Skip. Or is it in our best interests not to know? Cut out the Greek, Skip, or tell us about Eric and the Gulf War chemicals; Vietnam and Agent Orange.

PHILIP HERMANN  
Columbia

### Where's the beef?

TO THE EDITOR: Can the Hudson Foods Inc. catastrophe, wherein 35 million pounds of hamburger patties were recalled, be turned into a blessing?

Medical doctors have stated that this need, if cooked at a temperature of 160 degrees or above would be safe because the E-coli germ would be killed. This is a plea to Hudson Foods to agree to cook the (food) and distribute it to agencies feeding the poor, if said agencies will provide release from all liability concerning this process.

### Doesn't like 'deal'

TO THE EDITOR: Right now, President Bill Clinton and Congress are moving to restore \$10 billion in federal welfare handouts for aliens. In addition to making America the welfare magnet for the Third World, the budget "deal" pays for the handouts by cutting spending on Medicare to U.S. citizens by \$115 billion over the next five years.

Many legal and illegal immigrants take advantage of Supplemental Security Income and other welfare programs meant for Americans. Between 1982 and 1996, noncitizens' use of SSI rose more than 500 percent, while citizen participation rose only 50 percent.

When our ancestors immigrated to the United States, they were required to have sponsors who guaranteed the immigrant would not become dependent on public assistance.

Today the immigrant is favored over the American citizen, and the taxpayers are footing the bill.

As a senior citizen and a concerned American citizen, I urge you to write your congressman and express your indignation. You may write to the Senators, C/O Senate Building, Washington, D.C. 20510, or U.S. Representatives, U.S. Congress, Washington, D.C. 20515.

C. COLLEEN SPRENGER  
Red Bud

## READER POLL

The MetroLink light-rail system is increasing in popularity.

The Bi-State Development Agency, which operates MetroLink, had expected to carry its 50 millionth passenger in 2000, but a St. Louis City family had that distinction this month, more than 2 years ahead of schedule.

St. Clair County is building a line through East St. Louis to Belleville and the new Mid-America Airport being built adjacent to Scott Air Force Base.

Various municipalities and sections of St. Louis County are fighting to be the next area to receive a MetroLink extension.

The popularity of the Metro-

Link system in the St. Louis region means priorities will be set up for federal transportation dollars.

What about Madison County? Voters will decide in November whether to put a \$315 million MetroLink Madison County extension on track by approving adding a half-cent sales tax to their bills.

What do you think? Should Madison County add a half-cent to your bills to finance the county's share of the cost of MetroLink? Voters will approve or reject that plan in November.

Use the adjoining coupon to let us know what you think. Some responses and results of the poll will be published in the Sept. 11 Press-Record.

### What do you think?

Do you support adding a half-cent to your bills to finance the county's share of the cost of MetroLink?

Yes  
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### Comments:

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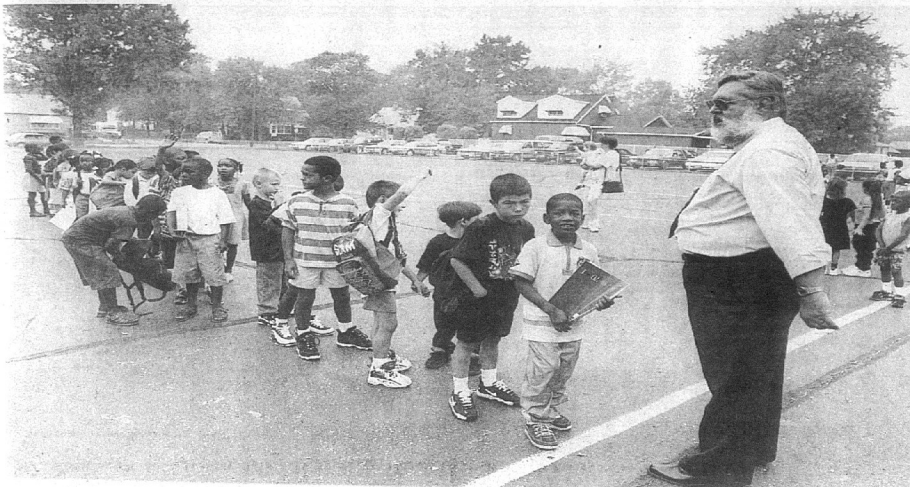
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# PEOPLE



## Back to the grind



Madison schools kicked off the fall by beginning class on Tuesday. Clockwise, from below left: Daniel Cervantes, 6, left, watches as Jason Briggs, 8, center, points out to his brother Kevin, 6, where he will be reporting to class on the first day. Harris School teacher Mary Medley goes over some basic classroom rules with her first graders. Harris School students and their parents check a board of posted lists to see who their teachers this year will be. The new second-grade class at Harris School lines up in front of school principal David Becher before heading in to meet their teachers. Mary Medina, 8, left, and her sister Anisa, 9, cross the playground of Harris School on their way to class. Jason Briggs, left, waits his turn while classmate Jared Hunter, 8, sharpens his pencil.



**Staff photos  
by John Frese**

Above, Patricia Crawford introduces herself to her second graders. Below, Demarcus Abraham, 7, and Crystal Schollman, 8, check out their school supplies before their first day of classes at Harris School.





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## Simon to speak at SIUE

### Former senator will conduct leadership program

Former Sen. Paul Simon, founder and director of the Public Policy Institute at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, will conduct a Student Leadership Development Program module at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville on Sept. 2.

The topic is "Role Models and Risk Takers: Blueprints for a Successful Leader."

SLDP modules are scheduled Tuesdays during academic semesters at 2 and 6:30 p.m. in the Mississippi-Illinois Room of SIUE's University Center, unless otherwise noted.

Simon's module is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. At 2 that afternoon, Joseph Nations of Six Flags-St. Louis will conduct a module about "Leadership Characteristics: You are a

Leader!"

Now in its eleventh year on the SIUE campus, the SLDP has two components — leadership modules, which offer discussion with University faculty and officials and community leaders, and a university and community service component, which is largely service-oriented.

Those who complete 60 hours in the program, with 30 hours of that total toward community service, will receive a SLDP transcript for presentation to potential employers.

Simon is a professor at SIUC, where he teaches classes in political science and journalism. He joined the faculty in 1997, just weeks after retiring from the U.S. Senate.

During his years as a public official, Simon was known for his constituent service.

His office handled more cases each year than almost any other Senate office. He spent 10 years in the U.S. House

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before his 1984 Senate election. His wide-ranging policy interests span such diverse topics as the budget, education, disability policy, foreign affairs, labor, and television violence.

For more information about the Sept. 2 modules or about other upcoming SLDP programs, call the SIUE Kimmel Leadership Center, 692-2686.

## Army holds food drive

The Salvation Army will host an "Emergency Food Drive" throughout the Madison County area from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

The Salvation Army is located in Granite City, Collinsville, Edwardsville, Madison, Venice, Highland, Troy, Maryville and many other small communities in the southwest Madison County area. The Army serves hundreds of family members each week with food from its pantry.

As is usual this time of year, the Salvation Army's food has been exhausted and their pantry is nearly empty. The pantry will not be replenished until Nov. 1 when the Boy Scouts do their "Scouting For Food" drive in the area.

Representatives of the Salvation Army will be standing at several area grocery stores and will hand out lists of items needed for the pantry. They will also have the small, red kettles for those who wish to make a monetary donation.

Business able to give large donations of food may call Captains Martin and Harriet Colip at 451-7957 to arrange a pickup.

## Shrine gala slated

The annual marriage celebration at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 14, in the church at the shrine.

Marriage celebration honors couples celebrating their 25th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th and 60th and more anniversary in 1997.

For registration and additional information, call June Bricker at the shrine, 397-6700.

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## NEWS IN REVIEW

## OBITUARIES

## Beulah Leicht

BEULAH ELIZABETH LEICHT, 96, of Hermann, Mo., died Sunday, Aug. 24, 1997, at Freme Valley Geriatric and Rehabilitation Center in Hermann. She was born Oct. 23, 1910, in East St. Louis.

Mrs. Leicht was a member of Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in Hermann. Mo. Survivors include one son, Jacob W. Leicht of Hermann, Mo.; one brother, Fred Geaschel of Granite City, Mo.; three grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jacob August Leicht, whom she married Dec. 28, 1931, in Collinsville, Mo., and four brothers, Earl, Walter, Raymond, and Ervin Geaschel.

Funeral services are today at 9 a.m. at Tiedemann and Grosse Funeral Home in Hermann, Mo., with the Rev. Peter Scheele officiating. Burial will be in Caseyville Cemetery, in Caseyville, Mo.

Memorials are suggested to Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church.

## Sylvia Overby

SYLVIA LOUISE (SPRAGUE) OVERBY, 63, of Alhambra died Friday, Aug. 22, 1997, in Alhambra. She was born Sept. 27, 1933, in Oxy, Mo.

Survivors include two sons, Jesse William Overby Jr. of Jacksonville, Fla., and Michael Scott Overby of St. Louis; three daughters, Sandra Kay Clayton and Debra Louise Mesinger, both of Collinsville, and Katherine Doris Symak of Alhambra; four brothers, Ted and Ross "Corky" Sprague, both of Collinsville, Ronnie Sprague of Fairmont City, and Rex Sprague of Greenville, Ky.; and six grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, George and Maude Sprague; and one brother, Clifford Sprague.

Services were Monday, Aug. 25, 1997, at 10 a.m. at St. Clare's Mortuary Chapel, 9900 St. Clair Avenue, Fairview Heights. Burial was in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Union, Mo.

Mr. Hayden was employed by Ryan's Roofing in Granite City and was a member of Local 1000, I.A.M. He enjoyed Harley motorcycles.

Survivors include his wife, Kelly Hayden of Caseyville; two sons, Robert Joseph Hayden and Andrew Gary Hayden of Fairview Heights; and Nicholas Raymond Hayden of Caseyville; his parents, Robert Hay-

den of Pocatontos and Audrey (Leifhardt) Hayden of Glad. Mo.; three brothers, Charles Hayden of Whittington, Wayne E. Hayden of Collinsville, and Chad M. Hayden of Pocatontos; one sister, Pamela Mumper of Collinsville; and his grandmother, Mary E. Hayden of Belleville; and two nieces, Chelsea and Christina, both of Collinsville.

Funeral services were Tuesday, Aug. 26, at St. Elizabeth Memorial Home in Collinsville, with the Rev. Tom Flach officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Belleville.

Alice S. Passmore

ALICE S. PASSMORE, 99, of East Moline died Tuesday, Aug. 26, 1997, at Trinity Medical Center East Campus in Moline. She was born on April 27, 1908, in Oelwein, Iowa.

Mrs. Passmore was a graduate of Maycrest College. She taught Barstow School in Illinois Lincoln School and Hillcrest School in East Moline, and retired after 20 years of service.

Survivors include one daughter, Patricia Michaeloff of Granite City; one son, Michael; seven grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren, as well as nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, George Frederick Passmore, who died Dec. 21, 1971.

Visitation was Friday, Aug. 29, 1997, at the Van Hoe Funeral Home in East Moline. A Rosary was recited at the visitation. Funeral services were Tuesday, Aug. 30, at St. Anne Catholic Church in East Moline. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery in East Moline.

Memorials are suggested to the Mgr. J. Cleary Endowment Fund.

Lucille E. Myers

LUCILLE E. MYERS, 76, of Noble died at her home on Monday, Aug. 25, 1997, at 10:47 a.m. She was born in Noble Township Sept. 10, 1920.

Ms. Myers was a retired school teacher from Collinsville, and a member of the Noble United Methodist Church.

Survivors include one nephew, Raymond Myers, of St. Louis; two nieces, Alita Brooks of Newton, and Alma Israel of Eltingham; one brother, Frank; and one sister, Eva (Rumay) Ash.

Funeral services were Wednesday, Aug. 27, 1997, at the Summers-Kistler Funeral Home in Noble with the Rev. Kenneth Blissett officiating. Burial will be in Noble Cemetery.

Sara Thomas

SARA JEANETTE THOMAS, 81, of

Granite City died Tuesday, Aug. 26, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Memorial Home in Granite City. She was born Dec. 14, 1915, in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mrs. Thomas was a homemaker and a lifelong resident of Granite City. Survivors include one sister, Betty Lee Thomas of Granite City; and two sons, William R. Thomas of Belleville, and David B. Thomas of Granite City; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William R. Thomas, Sr. in July 1966, whom she married in 1924 in Granite City; her son, James R. Thomas; and her sister, Margaret Moore.

Visitation is Thursday, Aug. 28, 1997, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Thomas Chapel, 2205 Pontoon Road, Granite City. Funeral services will be Friday, Aug. 29, 1997, at 10:00 a.m. at Thomas Chapel with the Rev. Tom Flach officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to American Heart Association, Salvation Army, or Chautauque Memorial Fund.

LEONA M. MCCOY, 80, of Pontoon Beach died Tuesday, Aug. 26, 1997, at 12:12 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Memorial Home in Granite City. She was born March 8, 1917, in St. Louis, Mo. She has lived in Pontoon Beach for the past 56 years.

Mrs. McCoy owned and operated Zamar's in Pontoon Beach for 18 years and was a homemaker. She was a member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church for the past six years; past president of PTA Stalls; Lone Citizen of the year; and a member of the Pontoon Beach Senior Citizens.

Survivors include five daughters, Mary Ann McCoy, of St. Louis; Phyllis Meyer of Pontoon Beach; Barbara Siegfried of Pontoon Beach; Nancy Davis of Collinsville; and Lynn Cooper of Granite City; two brothers, Bill Evans of Granite City and Tom Evans of Collinsville; two sisters, Mary Elizabeth Christy of Carbondale, and Susan Zech of Anna; 24 grandchildren; and 38 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Raymond McCoy on Aug. 24, 1963; her parents; her daughter, Charlotte Thompson, one great-granddaughter, Katie Keller; three brothers, Ed Evans, and one sister, Dorothy Norwood. Funeral services were Thursday, Aug. 28, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church with the Rev. Tom Flach officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to Crawford Co. Health Center, 412 N. Frank-

lin, Cuba, Mo., or masses.

Arrangements were handled by Werner Chapel.

Albert Baldwin

ALBERT BALDWIN, 64, died at 3:25 p.m. Monday, Aug. 25, 1997, of injuries suffered in a truck accident at Interstate 270 near Illinois Route 157. He was born Aug. 18, 1933, in Granite City.

Mr. Baldwin served from 1951 to 1953 in the U.S. Navy. He has been a bartender at Charlie's Bar in Granite City for 30 years.

Survivors include his wife, Sandra Jo (Cook) Baldwin, whom he married on April 15, 1964, in Bethalto; one daughter, Kimberly Kay Schultz of East Alton; three stepdaughters, Mary Ann Campbell of Waukegan, Ill.; and two stepsons, William Verne Baldwin of Wood River; four sons, William Verne Baldwin of Hartford, Conn.; John A. Logan of House Springs, Mo.; six grandchildren; six step-grandchildren; a brother, Paul Baldwin of Medora; two half brothers, Charles Baldwin of Arizona and Kevin Hausman of Elmhurst; and a half sister, Carol Sue Baldwin of Missouri.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William Verne and Edna Ber-nice (Jacobs) Baldwin; and one sister, Roberta Basden. Funeral services were Thursday, Aug. 28, 1997, at Gent Funeral Home in Granite City with the Rev. David Olson officiating. Burial was at Upper Alton Cemetery with full military honors at the Illinois 157 Veterans of Foreign Wars Post # 1308.

Memorials are suggested to the American Cancer Society.

Leo Baldwin

LEO BALDWIN, 62, died at 3:27 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 25, 1997, of injuries suffered in a truck accident at Interstate 270 near Illinois 157. He was born May 21, 1935, in Alton.

Mr. Baldwin was a bartender at the Rex-Lon Cafeteria, retired in 1995, and was on the Laborers District Council.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Michael (Jody) Bosovich of Godfrey, and Janette Starkey of Alton; a grandson, Lucas Bosovich; a brother, Paul Baldwin of Medora; two half brothers, Charles Baldwin of Arizona and Kevin Hausman of Elmhurst; and a half sister, Carol Sue Baldwin of Missouri.

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## VENICE TEEN SHOT

Family and friends of 14-year-old Kerwin Stanley gathered at the North End Church of God in Madison on Monday to say goodbye to another young victim of hand guns.

Stanley, of 608 Lincoln St. in Venice, died at 10:15 p.m. Aug. 20 at St. Louis University Medical Center, hours after the .22-caliber revolver he was playing with fired, Venice Police Chief James Newsome said.

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The public is invited to attend the performance and there is no charge for admission.

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The Young Democrats of Madison County will hold a special ceremony at noon Sept. 1 in Wilson Park to dedicate a memorial to former Madison County Clerk Debbie Saltich. Saltich is remembered as a friend of labor and the community.

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## FUNERAL SUMMARY

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WILMA JEAN FERNANDEZ, 66, of Belleville, formerly of Granite City, died Friday, Aug. 22, 1997, at Castlehaven Nursing Home.

Visitation was from 3 to 6 p.m. today, Sunday, at Werner Chapel, 3939 Lake Drive, Pontoon Beach. Services were at 1 p.m. Monday, Aug. 25, at Werner Chapel with the Rev. Jamie Hahn officiating. Burial was in St. John's Cemetery, Granite City.

Memorials are suggested to the Arthritis Foundation.

JAMES C. HEWKE, 64, of Panama died Friday, Aug. 22, 1997, at 10:45 a.m. at his home in Panama, after a 3-month illness.

The funeral was held on Monday, Aug. 25, at Perfect Funeral Home in Panama. Burial will be in Union Cemetery in Panama.

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BETTY JEAN (BLANKENSHIP) MCCOY, 96, of Granite City died Friday, Aug. 22, 1997, at her son's home with her family at her bedside.

Service in Sallitio was on Aug. 29 at Sallitio Baptist Church. Burial was in Lebanon Cemetery near Sallitio.

Arrangements in Sallitio was handled by Shackelford Funeral Directors, Inc. in Savannah, Tenn.

STEVEN B. MCCOY, 36, of Granite City died at 4:47 p.m. Friday, Aug. 22, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Memorial Home in Granite City.

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DORRIS THOMAS RAYNOR SR., 73, of Maryville, formerly of Granite City, died at 10:18 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19, 1997, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville.

Services were Saturday, Aug. 23, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, Springfield, Mo., with the Rev. Jeff Smith officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

CRAIG REYNOLDS, 39, of Granite City died at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 23, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Hospital following a seven-year illness.

Graveside services were held Tuesday, Aug. 26, at St. John Cemetery, Granite City.

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## Bowling Hall board names new members

Three top St. Louis area executives — Mark Lamping, Tony Ponturo and Sherry McCool — have been named to the Board of Directors of the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame. Lamping is president of the St. Louis Cardinals; Ponturo is vice president of Corporate Media and Sports Marketing for Anheuser-Busch; and McCool is general manager of the St. Louis Marriott Downtown Pavilion Hotel.

Lamping, a native St. Louisan, has been president of the Cardinals since 1994. His previous sports management positions include Commissioner of the Continental Basketball League and Anheuser-Busch's Group Director of Sports Marketing. Ponturo's responsibilities range from directing media planning and buying functions for the company's beer brands and Busch Entertainment, including Busch Gardens and Sea World, to overseeing the sports marketing and sports production operations within the company. He is a member of the Anheuser-Busch Management Committee and the Anheuser-Busch Board of Directors.

McCool has been general manager of the Marriott Pavilion Hotel since 1991 and became market general manager in 1988, with responsibility for all Marriott lodgings in the St. Louis area. She is chairperson of the St. Louis Area Hotel Association, after being president last year.

Remo Picchetti, President and Board Chairman of the IBM/HRF, said, "St. Louis has a strong bowling history and, of course, serves as home to our Museum. It's appropriate and gratifying to have these local executives on our board."

Gerald W. Balitz, executive director at the museum, said, "The IBM/HRF is an international institution, but also an important part of the St. Louis cultural and sports communities."

The Museum now has gone online at <http://www.bowling-museum.com>. The new site includes a brief museum tour, a short chronicle of bowling's history, and lists of members of the industry's major halls of fame. Visitors to the site can also play a trivia challenge and browse the museum store.

The museum is located at 111 Stadium Plaza, across from Busch Stadium. It preserves and protects the history of bowling and recognizes individual accomplishments.

Becky Walker of Farmington, Mo., won the \$1,000 first prize in the Pepsi Pro-Am of the St. Clair Bowl PBA tourney recently. The senior winner for \$550 was Theresa Shafter of Oakville.

There were three junior scholarship winners. Jason Guyer of Belleville won the Grades 6 and under honor of \$250; Erica Boss of Ballwin took the Grade 7-9 prize of \$275; and Brandi Goforth of O'Fallon, Ill., won the \$300 award in the Grades 10-14 classification.

Ed Fenstermacher of Fairview Heights recorded his third 300 of the 1996/97 season in late July while subbing at Scott AFB Center. His earlier perfect games were the first in his 38-year career.

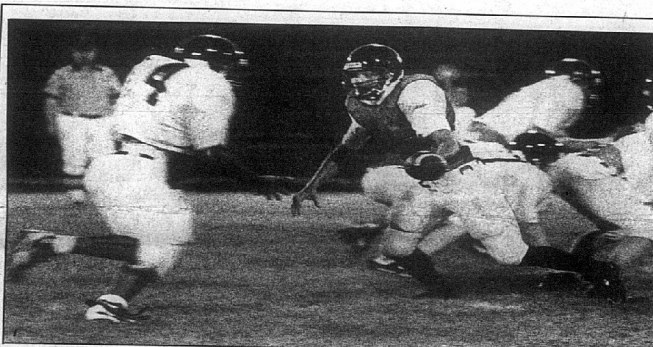
Tickets still are available for the 80th Birthday Party for local and national bowling officials Ed Sweeney on Sept. 20 at Maggie O'Brien's Restaurant, 2015 and Market Streets, across from Union Station.

Half of the proceeds from each \$50 ticket will go to the Ed Sweeney Star of Tomorrow Scholarship Fund. For information, contact Darryl Nisch, executive director of the sponsoring Greater St. Louis Bowling Association, at 646-8747.

Doug Buehrer of Granite City did quite well in three recent Midwest PBA Regional tournaments, collecting a total of \$1,415. He won \$300 in Maquoketa, Iowa, for a \$240 check on July 20; picked up \$425 for 16th place in Joseph, Mo., on Aug. 3, and finished fifth in Madison, Wis., on Aug. 11, which was good for \$750.



GCHS soccer player Mike Smith (left) battles with Dane Bauer during a recent practice. The Warriors kick off the season with home games Friday against Compolino, Calif., and Saturday against Peoria Richwoods.



Juanell Goodwin takes the handoff from GCHS quarterback Rocky Smith. The Warriors kick off the season Friday at home against Cahokia.

## Senior-heavy Cahokia to test GCHS in opener

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

One thing about the Granite City football team — the Warriors don't play patsies in non-conference games.

GCHS opens the 1997 season Friday by welcoming power-laden Cahokia to Nelson Hagauer Memorial Stadium. The game was moved from Cahokia because of work still being done on the Comanches' new all-weather track.

### FOOTBALL

Cahokia is coming off a 7-5 season and is ranked eighth among Class 5A schools in the Associated Press preseason poll. They bring back experience and excellence on both sides of the ball, which concerns Warriors coach Nick



Justin Hale drops back to pass during the Warriors' scrimmage game last week.

Petrillo. "Cahokia has outstanding running backs and great overall team speed," Petrillo said. "Their coach, (See OPENER, Page 3B)

## Warriors look to get team back on target

### Young squad taking aim with GCHS

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

The last time a Granite City High School boys soccer team took the field for a match, it built a 3-0 halftime lead over Collinsville in the sectional title game last fall — only to watch the Kahoks roar back in the second half and capture the upset win, catapulting them to the state tournament and a second-place finish.

It is a loss still fresh in the minds of coach Gene Baker and his returning regulars. "As great a team as that was, they were prone to letdowns," said Baker of that 1996 squad. "This year's team is not nearly as good as that team was, but I think they will play a more stable game, avoiding the letdowns of last year."

That, at least, is Baker's hope in this rebuilding campaign.

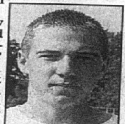
"We are an inexperienced and untested group," he said. "But these are a great bunch of kids. The preseason has

been fun from a coaching standpoint. The kids have been easy and fun to work with. It's going to be an interesting year."

Back for another season are team captains Jonas Janek and Josh Hickam, both seniors. Janek, who possesses great speed, moves to the backfield from midfield in 1997.

"He is very muscular and is in outstanding condition," Baker said. "We expect him to be a tenacious defender for us this year."

Hickam, who stands 6-4 and, according to Baker, has excellent ballhandling



Hickam skills, moves up front from his midfield position of a year ago. (See WARRIORS, Page 3B)

### GRANITE CITY WARRIORS

August  
29 Compolino (Calif.).....7 p.m.  
30 Peoria Richwoods.....11 a.m.

September  
2 at Civic Memorial.....5:30 p.m.  
6 at Vianney.....5 p.m.  
9 at Alton.....5:30 p.m.  
11 Collinsville.....5:30 p.m.  
13 at Sacred Heart-Griffin.....5:30 p.m.  
18 at Edwardsville.....5:30 p.m.  
22 Thomas Aquinas.....7 p.m.  
22 Hazelwood C. Tournament, TBA  
30 Belleville West.....5:30 p.m.

October  
1 at O'Fallon.....5:30 p.m.  
6-11 Tourn. of Champions.....TBA  
16 Belleville East.....5:30 p.m.  
17 at McCluer North.....5:30 p.m.  
20 at St. Louis U. High.....4:30 p.m.  
Oct. 23-29: Regional Tournament  
Oct. 26-Nov. 1: Sectional Tournament  
Nov. 4: Super-Sectional  
Nov. 7-8: State Tournament

## Seniors stressing team approach with Kahoks

By Brian Bretsch  
Staff writer

Two years ago, the seniors on the 1997 Collinsville High School soccer team learned a valuable lesson.

As sophomores, players like Jeff Rhymer, Mike Bettorf, Bryan Bettorf, Chris Rossetto and Ryan Siegel watched the 1996 team self-destruct. The '96 squad was loaded with seniors and appeared to be headed for a state tournament appearance. However, that group really never played together as a unit and never made it out of regional play.

Rhymer and company quickly learned that individualism can destroy a team, so they worked closely with the seniors on the 1996 squad. The result was total team play and a second-place finish at the Illinois state tournament.

CHS coach Ron Rowden says

### SOCCER

The six seniors are stressing team unity again this season. The Kahoks open the season 7 p.m. Saturday at Edwardsville. "I have seen it in a lot of our physical training, where one or two players will be performing and they will start verbally getting on some other players who are slacking," Rowden said. "I think they have realized what hard work can do — not only physical, but mentally, getting mentally tough and not quitting. They are getting that type of an attitude."

"That's something I think I brought over from last year. A couple of days in our two-a-days were rough and it is very easy to back down and quit. Rhymer has been one of the players that has (practiced) very verbally, along with Bettorf. (See COLLINSVILLE, Page 2B)

## Lutheran golfer fires top score at Oak Brook

By Brian Bretsch  
Staff writer

Metro East Lutheran golfer Joe True captured the individual title at the six-team match held Monday afternoon at Oak Brook Golf Course in Edwardsville.

True, a junior from Collinsville, fired a 69 in helping finish third in the team standings.

True finished three strokes ahead of teammate Ben Crowder and Collinsville's Tyson Brill. Crowder and Brill each shot a 72.

"Individually it was nice to win it, but helping the team is the main thing," True said. "Coach (Kevin Scannell) told us to go out and get off on the right foot to start the season. We had two really good

### GOLF

scores." Edwardsville won the team portion of the event with a 299 score. Collinsville was second with a 301 team score. Rounding out the remaining three schools were Alton in fourth place (305), Triad in fifth (309) and Granite City in the final spot (316).

Brill paced Collinsville with a 72. Derek Sprehe carded a 73.

Chad Fisk paced Triad's efforts with a 75. Teammates Nathan Trisch and Mike Duff carded 76 and 77, respectively. Sophomore Jared Hayes closed out Triad's scoring with an 81. Marco Tallero was one of the top shooters for Edwardsville, firing a 74.

## New coach, lineup leading spikers

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

Entering the 1997 girls volleyball season, there is one word which best describes the Granite City Lady Warriors and new coach Beth Seel: inexperience.

Seel, a graduate of Althoff High School and Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, is in her first year of coaching with the Lady Warriors and inherits a team that boasts only three seniors.

"It's been fun but difficult early on," Seel said. "I'm from Collinsville. I went to high school in Belleville, and I'm not very familiar with the Granite City volleyball program specifically. It's a disadvantage for me not to come

into the tryouts and practices knowing in advance who the girls are and what they are capable of doing. I'm just now getting to know their names."

Tryouts began with 55 players vying for 18 spots available on the varsity and junior varsity rosters combined. The Lady Warriors begin the regular season Sept. 3 at Bohnenstiehl home against Civic Memorial.

And, at this late date, Seel says the roster is pretty well wide open beyond three seniors and a junior setter.



Bohnenstiehl home against Civic Memorial. Jenna Wright, Kerri Lusiter

### VOLLEYBALL

and Laurie Bohnenstiehl bring the most experience to the 1997 squad.

"We are looking to our three seniors for key leadership roles from the beginning," Seel said. "If they step up, our season will be successful. If they don't, it could be a long year. But they're seniors. Leadership is expected."

Kristen Ely, a junior, gets the nod as the team's setter and, according to Seel, a very talented player.

"Kristen's key figure in our success," Seel said. "She too, must step forward for the team to reach its potential. The potential is definitely there. We have a lot of good,

'From what I can tell right now, we're a pretty balanced team in all ways and at all positions. That will help us as the season progresses.'

— Beth Seel  
GCHS coach

young players, with good height and good passing skills. And it is these young kids who must step forward for us to succeed.

(See SPIKERS, Page 3B)







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## •Warriors

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Other players either in the starting lineup or still in contention for a starting spot are sophomore Justin Roehr, a quick, sure-handed keeper with excellent driving technique; backs Adam Sanchez (sweeper), Jeremy Smith and Corey Wallace; and midfielders Dennis Holland, Dane Bauer, Corey Winfield, and Josh Feather or Andy Ronk.

Baker will also look to a strong bench for significant contributions this season. Freshmen Mike Smith, sophomore Ian Kessel, junior Steve Hendrickson and seniors Steve Graham and Mason Czar should be called upon regularly.

"There are many hopeful signs with reference to this team," Baker was quick to

point out. "They are making great progress and that is what must happen when you have an inexperienced, untested team. Already they are doing things they haven't done before."

"This team has the ability to compete. They have the ability to play a stable game from beginning to end, without making glaring, costly mistakes and without letdowns similar to last season. It will be fun. It will be an interesting year."

Baker should find out quickly just how capable this year's team is. The Warriors open the season at 7 p.m. Friday against visiting Compolino, Calif., then come back at 11 a.m. Saturday to host always-tough Peoria Richwoods. On Tuesday, GCHS travels to play Civic Memorial.

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GCHS soccer coach Gene Baker (left) conducts practice with assistant Virgil Kirksey. The Warriors begin the season Friday against Compolino, Calif.

## •Spikers

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The Lady Warriors have a strong schedule, which includes the Granite City, Collinsville and Freeburg tournaments and regular season games in the rugged Southwestern Conference.

"As always, Belleville East and Belleville West are very tough," Seel said. "Other teams will be tough but unless someone has a phenomenal year with some overachievers, the Belleville schools should come out on top."

"But, we'll be competitive," Seel added. "No doubt about that. From what I can tell right now, we're a pretty balanced team in all ways and at all positions. That will help us as the season progresses. It will take a few games before we know where we're really at and what we're capable of doing both individually and as a team. At this point, I like what I see."

## •Opener

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Robert Eden, said last year that he was kind of surprised they made the playoffs, that 1997 was going to be their year. We'll, it's 1997, and they have an outstanding senior-dominated squad. They blew us off the field last year."

But if you think Petrillo is the only coach concerned, think again. The Comanches' mentor is not taking the Warriors lightly. "We beat Granite last year (42-6), but it was only 7-6 at the half," Eden said. "I remember that they played us tough — much tougher than the final score indicated, more like the halftime score indicated. They were tough, and they'll be even tougher this year."

"I mean, when you consider they were playing under a first year coach and learning a new system last year, and they were that tough then, there's

no question that now that they're comfortable with the coach and the system, they'll be much, much tougher this year. We know we have our work cut out for us on Friday. We'll have to work and work hard to win."

Cahokia certainly has the workhorses needed to win. All-State quarterback Byron Gettis and All-American receiver Aaron Blanks top the list of talented seniors coming back for the Comanches. A strong junior group is led by running backs Jerome Muldrow and Tim Branscombe, tight end Darren Goodwin, offensive tackles Jason Gilliam and Michael Goodwin and line-backer Nate Hardaway.

Still, Eden is wary of the Warriors. "The Granite City program is definitely on the upswing," he said. "They are senior dominated and they played very well in a loss last year. And their freshman and sophomore teams beat ours last year. That's the first time that has happened since I've been here, and I've been here since 1988."

"This is a team that, if they play their game, is capable of beating us."

But playing their game means, among other things, containing Cahokia's breakaway speed.

"Containing speed takes a certain philosophy and a certain discipline among the defense," Petrillo said. "Our defensive ends must stay at

home and not get faked to the inside, only to get beat outside. In addition, our line must penetrate. We must try to get to their runners before they are able to get to holes and build up speed. If we can do two things — control the line of scrimmage and force their running game from the outside in — we could win."

"But, for that to happen, the offense also must help. They must control the ball. They must keep Cahokia's defense on the field. That, as much as anything, is what must happen if we are to win on Friday night."

"To beat Granite City, we must do three things," Eden said. "We must stay away from mistakes. Mistakes against a team like Granite will kill us. Second, we must execute both offensively and defensively. And we must control the line of scrimmage."

Petrillo is confident that the Warriors are more sound fundamentally this season than last, and that now the coaches, system and players are all in synch. GCHS went 3-6 last year after an 0-3 start.

"We were beaten badly by Cahokia last year, but these kids came back and played a solid season," Petrillo said. "We suffered a little bit against O'Fallon but, after that, we were pretty competitive the rest of the season."

"We want to play a solid game against Cahokia and set the stage for the rest of the season. We want to play better, sooner this year."

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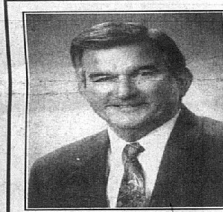
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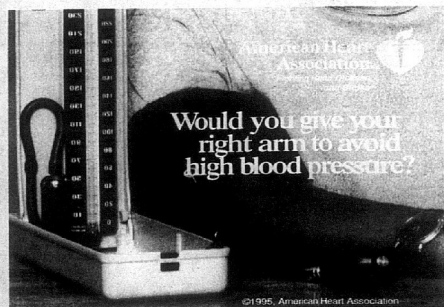
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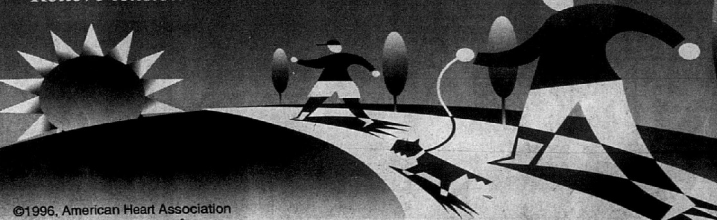
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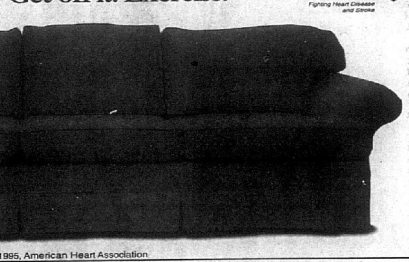
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MON DEC 8	BELLEVILLE EAST	6:15 PM	GRANITE CITY
WED DEC 10	BELLEVILLE WEST	6:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
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MON FEB 16	ST. LOUIS SR	6:15 PM	GRANITE CITY
WED FEB 18	ST. LOUIS SR	6:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
FRI FEB 20	ST. LOUIS SR	6:15 PM	GRANITE CITY
MON FEB 23	ST. LOUIS SR	6:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
WED FEB 25	ST. LOUIS SR	6:15 PM	GRANITE CITY
FRI FEB 27	ST. LOUIS SR	6:00 PM	GRANITE CITY

**GRANITE CITY HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING WARRIORS 1997-1998**

TUE NOV 25	O'FALLON	6:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
WED NOV 26	EDWARDSVILLE	6:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
FRI NOV 28	ALTON	6:15 PM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 1	BELLEVILLE EAST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 2	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 3	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 4	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 5	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 6	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 7	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 8	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 9	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 10	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 11	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 12	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 13	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 14	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 15	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 16	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 17	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
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SAT DEC 30	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 31	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY

**GRANITE CITY HIGH SCHOOL 1997-1998 BOYS JV WRESTLING**

TUE NOV 25	O'FALLON	6:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
WED NOV 26	EDWARDSVILLE	6:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
FRI NOV 28	ALTON	6:15 PM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 1	BELLEVILLE EAST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 2	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 3	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 4	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 5	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 6	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 7	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 8	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 9	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 10	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 11	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 12	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 13	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 14	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 15	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 16	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 17	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 18	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 19	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 20	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 21	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 22	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 23	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 24	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 25	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 26	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 27	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 28	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 29	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 30	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 31	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY

**GRANITE CITY HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL 1997-1998**

WED NOV 26	EDWARDSVILLE	6:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
FRI NOV 28	ALTON	6:15 PM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 1	BELLEVILLE EAST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 2	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 3	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 4	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 5	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 6	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 7	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 8	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 9	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 10	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 11	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 12	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 13	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 14	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 15	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 16	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 17	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 18	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 19	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 20	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 21	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 22	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 23	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 24	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 25	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 26	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 27	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 28	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 29	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 30	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 31	BELLEVILLE WEST	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY

**GRANITE CITY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL 1997 BOYS' FRESHMAN SOCCER**

WED SEP 9	HIGHLAND	4:15 PM	GRANITE CITY
FRI SEP 11	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
MON SEP 14	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
WED SEP 16	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
FRI SEP 18	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
MON SEP 21	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
WED SEP 23	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
FRI SEP 25	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
MON SEP 28	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
WED SEP 30	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
FRI SEP 30	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
MON OCT 3	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
WED OCT 5	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
FRI OCT 7	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
MON OCT 10	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
WED OCT 12	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
FRI OCT 14	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
MON OCT 17	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
WED OCT 19	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
FRI OCT 21	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
MON OCT 24	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
WED OCT 26	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
FRI OCT 28	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
MON OCT 31	EDWARDSVILLE	4:00 PM	GRANITE CITY

**GRANITE CITY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL 1997 VARSITY CROSS COUNTRY**

SAT SEP 6	GRANITE CITY INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT SEP 13	MT. VERNON INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT SEP 20	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT SEP 27	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT OCT 4	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT OCT 11	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT OCT 18	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT OCT 25	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT NOV 1	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT NOV 8	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT NOV 15	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT NOV 22	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT NOV 29	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 6	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 13	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 20	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 27	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT JAN 3	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT JAN 10	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT JAN 17	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT JAN 24	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT JAN 31	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT FEB 7	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT FEB 14	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT FEB 21	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT FEB 28	EDWARDSVILLE INVITATIONAL	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY

**GRANITE CITY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL 1997-1998 BOYS' SOPHOMORE FOOTBALL**

SAT AUG 30	CAIRO	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT SEP 6	O'FALLON	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT SEP 13	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT SEP 20	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT SEP 27	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT OCT 4	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT OCT 11	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT OCT 18	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT OCT 25	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT NOV 1	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT NOV 8	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT NOV 15	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT NOV 22	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT NOV 29	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 6	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 13	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 20	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT DEC 27	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT JAN 3	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT JAN 10	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT JAN 17	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT JAN 24	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT JAN 31	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT FEB 7	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT FEB 14	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT FEB 21	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
SAT FEB 28	ST. LOUIS SR	10:00 AM	GRANITE CITY

# GRANITE CITY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

## 1997-1998 BOYS' FRESHMAN

### WRESTLING

TUE NOV 25	O'FALLON	6:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
FRI DEC 5	EDWARDSVILLE	9:00 AM	EDWARDSVILLE
SAT DEC 6	CG FRESH TOWN	9:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
TUE DEC 9	Belleville	6:00 PM	Belleville
THU DEC 11	BETHATHO	6:15 PM	GRANITE CITY
FRI DEC 18	BE DEVILLE WEST	6:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
THU JAN 9	BELLEVILLE EAST	6:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
TUE JAN 15	ALTON	6:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
SAT JAN 27	COLLINSVILLE	9:00 AM	GRANITE CITY
TUE FEB 3	CAIRO	6:00 PM	GRANITE CITY
TUE JAN 31	BELL WEST FRESH INV	9:00 AM	BELL WEST FRESH INV.







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94	Ford	Escort LX Wgn.	P2558
94	Buick	Century 4 DR	7816B
93	Mercury	Villager GS	P2685A
93	Mercury	Tracer Wgn.	3723A
93	Ford	Grand Marquis LS	2863A
93	Ford	E150 Van	4801A
93	Dodge	Caravan	P2622A
93	Chrysler	Lebaran LE	2860A
93	Chevrolet	S10	P2557A
93	Chevrolet	Astro Van	P2531A
93	Buick	Regal	P2697A
92	Chrysler	Lebaran	2804B
91	Mercury	Sable GS	4712A
91	Mercury	Grand Marquis LS	2736A
91	Mercury	Grand Marquis LS	2845A
91	Mercury	Grand Marquis LS	2844A
91	Mercury	Grand Marquis LS	2837A
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95 Roadmaster LTD	92 Firebird
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Thursday, Aug. 28

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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Reflect on yesterday. Assimilating what you recently learned is your key to success. Mail order catalogs are useful and economical. Articulate your needs because people can't read your mind.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Current relationships become stronger. Your credentials speak for themselves. Play hard ball early for best results. Hold VIPs to their word. Seek quality time with those important to you.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Dismisses others' cynicism, and follow your own vision. You have done what few thought you could. A message is distorted, so seek out its original source. Solitude this afternoon yields marvelous ideas.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You hold the luckiest new set of goals. You'll attain them by circulating and making new contacts. Your money-managing habits pay off beautifully. A

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**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). A financial opportunity presents itself—bonuses, raises and new sources of income are all likely. Go solo this evening, and do research. A way-out, futuristic business brings bounty.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Aug. 28). Your discipline and drive bring reward! Until December, your skills could place you in an exciting, new position. Devote your passion and idealism to a project and romance follows. You'll have time for both—especially if you choose an understanding Sagittarius or Aquarius. Ask the powers that be for a favor, gift or a loan, and you'll receive it in January. Luxuries come in April.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Opportunities for love abound everywhere. Make the most of life and marriage or a commitment will be granted. A Gemini or Cancer is thrilled with your sex appeal, but a calm Taurus may be the best choice.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Generous and understanding folk pave your way. Reconciliations are likely. Delay making a final commitment. Important meetings and dealings with authorities work in your favor.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Paying for expert help is well worth it. Doing it alone will insure that you spend extra time or money dealing with mistakes. An unorthodox procedure marks you as the winner. An older man helps you understand.

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**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You receive an overdue dividend. Be diplomatic with your love or partner. Your versatility makes you a prime candidate for a bonus or relocation. Great joy comes from expanding your knowledge of art or music.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The focus is on partnership, collaboration or marriage. A previously inactive situation goes full-speed ahead. Today, you possess clarity and relaxed foresight about future plans. A major decision is on the horizon.

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